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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

DETAILED ACTION

Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 01/12/2004 has been entered.

Response to Amendment

2. The amendment B, paper # 14, filed on 01/12/2004 is acknowledged. Claims 1-40 and 47-52 are cancelled. New claims 53-58 have been added. The amendment is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because: all claims 1-24 drawn to the elected invention have been cancelled and presents only claims 41-46 and 53-58 drawn to a non-elected invention (MPEP § 821.03). In the previous office action the examiner analyzed and submitted on pages 4-5 that claims 25-52 were withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. The newly added claims 53-58 in this amendment also fall into the same group of non-elected claims for same

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reasons as for claims 25-52. Therefore the remaining claims 41-46 and 53-58 are not readable for reasons given above. The applicant's attention is also invited to MPEP 819-Office Generally Does not permit Shift to claiming another invention after an election is once made and action given to the elected subject matter.

3. Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yogesh C Garg whose telephone number is 703-306-0252. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F(8:30-4:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vincent A Millin can be reached on 703-308-1065. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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